

Top 5 Reasons to Support the Common Core State Standards

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Wisconsin's Voice

- Wisconsin educators, parents, community leaders, and the public provided input into the development of the standards before the state adopted them in 2010. Local schools decide how the standards should be taught and which resources to be used in curriculum.

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Great for Students

- The CCSS are more rigorous than Wisconsin's previous standards and are on par with what is taught in leading countries around the world. They promote creative and critical thinking over rote memorization. They prepare students with the skills they need to succeed in a globally competitive workforce.

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Great for Schools

- The CCSS are rigorous, clear, and specific at each grade level. Teachers are able to collaborate within and across disciplines to create new, innovative, and more effective ways to actively engage students in learning.

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Great for Parents

- Because the CCSS are aligned with college and career expectations, students are better prepared for the demands they face after high school. College costs are reduced because there is less need for expensive, remedial, non-credit bearing courses. Students enter the workforce better equipped to earn a livable wage.

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Great for the Economy

- These higher standards prepare students, our future workforce, with the skills that the workplace demands. A better prepared, more highly skilled workforce attracts new businesses to the state and allows current businesses to hire employees that are ready to work.